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William J. Bryan

FOR VICE PRESIDENT

John W. Kern

WHY OKLAHOMA IS GREAT.

So many things have happened before and since the advent of statehood to emphasize the greatness of Oklahoma that people back east, and in other directions are wondering what really makes Oklahoma great. Aside from its size and location in the heart of the republic, making it absolutely the best in point of climate, resources and accessibility which in themselves have the elements of a splendid commonwealth, it has another and a far more potent factor in the achievement of its brilliant success before it has reached the age of one year from its somewhat gloomy birth last year.

The real greatness of Oklahoma may very properly be attributed to the spirit of its citizenship. Not long ago men spoke and wrote of the Western spirit, as peculiar to the unsettled west and southwest of a generation ago. That term is also obsolete, and it is now the Oklahoma spirit, as exemplifying the dauntless courage, the splendid prowess and the marvelous originality of the prevailing thought that has shaped Oklahoma in the making.

Men who pushed their way into the wild and woolly west a generation ago were called pioneers. Yea, for more than a hundred years these restless wanderers have pressed into the unsettled forests and trackless prairies of our country, and raising the standard of freedom and self-government have been the real exponents of expansion that have made the nation great on the American continent and beyond the seas.

The creation of Oklahoma was the culmination of a century and a third of state-building. It was a part of the movement of a great race of men—the most masterful race of all history. No human hand can stop or stay the push and enterprise of the American people and no region can remain a wilderness when they undertake to subdue it.

The glory of Oklahoma is the dauntless spirit of her people. The million and a half of people who rose up and demanded statehood from a hostile administration would build a great state in any quarter of the habitable globe. These people if set down in the wastes of Africa would erect a state and cherish and nourish the principles of human liberty and there establish the highest form of civilization—a Republic.

The very highest form of patriotism is pride in and love for one's state. Where is the man or woman in Oklahoma who is not already proud of the state. The man who would be ashamed of being an Oklahoman would be impervious to the prevailing thought that actuates her citizenship.

Men of brains and character, from the whole United States have assembled themselves here to erect a model state. When we wrote the constitution that was adopted here less than a year ago, a few timid ones said it would be rejected at Washington because it was not like other state constitutions. Oklahoma does things differently. The older commonwealths now wait to see how Oklahoma will do things and then take pattern.

Oklahoma is great because the most alert, the widest awake and the brightest people in the world have determined to make her so.

TITLES TO BE CLEARED.

A mistaken idea seems to prevail in certain quarters relative to the effect of the land suits recently filed by representatives of the national government, and many are inclined to believe that

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as a matter of fact the object of these suits

is to be land of allottees that even from fraudulent

some rights in the state, deeds and the allotted the

foreverfully removed the abstract to execute a

corporation by that through these has ample

obstacles against the organic law to the date of the re-

question at a set aside. Without any money to a large amount of the law of Oklahoma would have

been to the confusion annoy- surs would have re-

sulted. When the U. S. court issues the order setting aside the bogus transfers, so it will do, the abstract will show this order and the title will then be as free from encumbrances as if no previous deed had been made, and the buyer will secure a good title as if the only instrument on record was the U. S. patent to the allottee. It is very important for the press of the state to emphasize this feature of the suits filed in order to disabuse the minds of prospective purchasers of the idea that the action of the government further complicates matters. Few buyers would accept a deed when the records show an order of the court setting aside all these alleged transfers and to set them aside is the object of the suits now filed.—Muskogee Phoenix.

The Chieftain desires to express its appreciation of the splendid response the people of Vinita have made to its proposition to again place a daily edition of the paper in the field. The owners of the paper are but showing their confidence in Vinita when they are willing to put their money and labor into the production of a daily paper. We expect to give the paper circulation enough from the first issue to justify the advertisers in spending their money for space in its columns. Money spent for advertising is an investment and unless it pays the same business man will not buy it. If we print a newspaper that will reflect the standing of the town, commercially and socially; at home and abroad we are willing to risk the venture that it will meet with proper support. Vinita has a larger population than it had when the present owners conducted the daily before, and the country adjacent has ten families now to where it had one when the daily was started some ten years ago. Through our four rural routes we expect to reach practically all the people who do business in Vinita. The Chieftain will have on its payroll a number of men who will spend practically all their wages right here in Vinita. The institution that furnishes employment for a dozen or more people the year round is worth while. We invite the business people of Vinita to use our advertising columns if you think it will yield sufficient returns to justify the expenditure. If you don't think it would pay you, as a sensible business man you should not make the expenditure.

Augustus Censar made Rome famous all over the known world, and gave her an imperishable name just by building a few roads, and seeing to it that they all lead to Rome. The construction of county roads from Vinita in all directions, set with shade trees on either side, is an enterprise that not only the city but the country as well may properly join in. If all the roads leading to and from the city for a distance of from five to ten miles were graded and the streams spanned by handsome bridges and the road-side set with elms in ten years Vinita would be the Carthage of Oklahoma. The enhancement of county values would be as great in proportion as would city values. A well kept farm with shade trees along its approaches will bring more money than a better farm without these advantages. Would it not pay Vinita to construct one such highway for, say five miles, as a model? The same may be said of our streets and avenues within the town limits. The writer favors the macadamizing of two avenues throughout the length of the city as model driveways. One on the south side, say Canadian avenue, from the Bull creek heights on the east to the city limits on the west side. The property owners along the street would doubtless stand the bulk of the expense. On the north side Sequoyah avenue is the longest continuous highway in the city, and with a good bridge over Bull creek a street full two miles in length could be built.

We feel that it is up to the Chieftain to give Vinita a daily newspaper in keeping with the importance of the city. We have been out of the newspaper business for about two and one-half years, and our deliberate judgment now is that Vinita is a better town than formerly. There is more doing, more in contemplation and the future is larger with possibilities for good. The Chieftain ventures the prophecy that we are on the eve of a tremendous upward and onward movement that all the southwest will share, and that Vinita for once will get her share. Within three months this city will have completed seven blocks of new pavement and more than eight miles of cement and brick sidewalks, beside about ten thousand dollars of sewer construction. It has nearly broken the hearts of a few good people to see this expenditure that looked to them like wanton waste, but even they—the knockers—are coming around alright.

A group of men were sent on the shady side of the street. They were talking about how good a town Vinita is getting to be, her splendid merchants, her strong banks, her able lawyers, her skillful physicians, her artesian water, her army of barefoot boys, her troops of bonny lassies, her beautiful women and a thousand and one other things that town pride would dictate. A knocker drew near. He bewailed the spending of money for street paving, and denounced the council that compelled the building of so many miles of sidewalk, and the work on the parks. About the time he got fairly unlimbered the crowd had dispersed and the poor knocker put his little hammer tenderly away and took his departure a sadder and sadder man.

The Auditorium company has created a beautiful park out of a stretch of rough railroad right-of-way that has always been an unrightly place, where twisted scrap iron, old broken down wagons, cess-pools and weeds ran riot, into a veritable beauty spot, with trees, flowers, shrubs, grass, and a splendid fountain that plays and sparkles in the sunshine. As a matter of right and just appreciation the city of Vinita ought to stand the expense of five or six hundred dollars a year to keep it up now that it has been created.

If the carrier should drop a copy of the Daily Chieftain at your door for a few evenings without your ordering it, don't be alarmed. It is only that you may see it and mayhap subscribe and have it continue regularly. On the rural routes leading out of the city in every direction samples will be mailed at first, to be followed by a representative of the paper.

When Governor Haskell and Attorney General West get through with each other the Standard Oil company will still be doing business at the old stand and at the same old tricks, and probably some new ones. Put up your bean shooters, boys, and fight your common foe.

There is nothing in the cry raised in some quarters that the government suits against alleged crooked land deals will retard development and cloud titles in this country. It is the wall of the grafters and is intended to induce a cessation of prosecutions.

INDIGNANT MEETING OF ELECTRIC LIGHT MEN

C. E. Lahman, manager of the Vinita Electric Light, Ice and Power Co., returned Saturday night from Guthrie, where he attended a meeting of the electric light men of the state, pursuant to a call by the state board of equalization. Mr. Lahman says the light men were about the angriest bunch he has met with in a long time. Both Governor Haskell and Attorney General West addressed them, but as Mr. Lahman says these speeches were simply an unburdening of the grief of these two officials against each other, and that the light men got no satisfaction out of them. Mr. Haskell assured them, at some length, of the intention of the administration to deal with all fairness to the business interests of the state.

M. K. & T. TANK MAN ROBBED BY UNKNOWN

Saturday night, while J. W. Galyer, a Katy tank repairer, of Parsons, who has been installing a new pump at the water tank on south Cabin, was away on an errand, some unknown entered the tank house and robbed Mr. Galyer's coat, which had been left hanging in the house. The sheriff was notified as soon as the robbery was discovered but no trace of the miscreant could be found. The unknown robber secured a check, payable to Mr. Galyer for \$225. a note for \$15 and a Katy pass, number B 2164. A negro was seen later coming north along the Katy tracks and he is believed to be the robber. However he reached the city and was lost before anyone could see him to identify him.

MANY LAND SUITS SETTLED BY AGREEMENT

Muskogee, Okla., Aug. 4.—A large number of the thousands of land suits filed against holders of titles to Indian lands have been settled by agreement of the title holders with the government officials. Many gave a quit claim deed back to the Indians, then got a new deed, after paying to the allottee the balance between what was originally paid, and the amount at which the land was appraised by government inspectors.

BRYAN ACCEPTANCE SPEECH NOT TO BE ROOSEVELTIAN

Lincoln, Aug. 4.—Contrary to expectations, the speech of acceptance by Bryan will be a short one. He stated today by actual count it contained five thousand three hundred words.

His view will be reserved for more elaborate treatment in several campaign speeches he intends to make.

MUSKOGEE HEARS BRYAN PHONOGRAPH RECORDS

Muskogee Aug. 4.—The William Jennings Bryan phonograph records reached town today and were eagerly listened to by patrons of a pharmacy on West Broadway, where they were played on Edison phonographs. Most of the records were of a political nature, but a few dealt with varied subjects. The record on the "Immortality of the Soul" is an especially fine thing and impressed all who heard it.

"Do You Need Money?"

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LITTLE SLIP GAVE HIM AWAY.

Small Doubt as to How Oyster Tommy Acquired the Dog.

Paddy the Pig, renowned in song and story, expressed a desire for a dog the other day, says the Cincinnati Times-Star. "What sorter dog d'you want?" asked Oyster Tommy, one of the habitués of Paddy's beer store. Paddy said he wanted a nice bulldog. "What'll you give for one?" asked Oyster Tommy. "I'll come over with a ten-spot, Tommy," said the proprietor. "But youse ain't got no dog." "Sure I got a dog," said Tommy. "He's a peach of a bulldog. Regular bulldog color." Paddy said he'd buy it if it was a good dog. "But mind you, Tommy," said he, "don't you go stealin' no dog. I ain't the sort of a feller that'll stand fer that."

Tommy professed virtuous indignation at the suggestion and went away. Next day he returned with a beautiful dog, blood-showing in every line. "I raised 'im from a pup," said Tommy, proudly. Paddy took out the ten-dollar bill. "But I want a pedigree wit' him, Tommy," said he. Tommy looked disgusted. "Aw, shucks!" said he, "why didn't youse say you wanted a pedigree. I'd a stole a pedigree, too."

Centenary of the Waltz.

The waltz is celebrating its centenary this year. Immortalized by Lord Byron, it has during the whole of its existence taken precedence of all other ballroom dances, and is to be doubted for a moment that, while Terpsichore has any votaries in any civilized land, this entrancing form of salutation will stand unrivaled. Every year experts in the art of dancing meet to devise and try salutory novelties. They come and go. Some endure for a season, others have a longer vogue, but the waltz goes on forever. It folds its own against all others. "There is none like it, none," none that has inspired such haunting melodies, none that has danced away so many hearts.

Buttermilk Lozenges and Long Life.

Gen. Weaver recently recommended soft water for longevity, but the very latest fountain of youth is filled with buttermilk. A Paris scientist has discovered that buttermilk is a panacea and life prolonger and the Pasteur institute is turning out buttermilk tablets by the hopperful. Good citizens who have no recourse to cows should fill their pockets with the lozenges, nibble them now and then and note the effects. They will do no harm, and on the other hand science's commendable pursuit of the secrets of a long life and a merry one deserves encouragement.

Glories and Glooms.

The students of Yale university have invented some new slang descriptive of important conditions which affect

When is a King Not a King?

There is a funny story coming from Biarritz about the "American lady" who, merrily retained her seat when King Edward entered the Casino one afternoon, and on being remonstrated with, declared, if the king of England deliberately chose to stay there incognito, it seemed to her bad manners to treat him as royalty. The funny part was the king, while accepting the logic of the argument, did not seem pleased with her behavior in remaining seated at his entry when all the other occupants of the room stood up. The lady's name? Well, that is discreetly omitted from the tale, although the king inquired who she was!

Were Married in Buggy.

John Creslip of Rochester, Pa., and Miss Ivy Davis of Hanover, Pa., were married recently while standing in a buggy in the street. The young couple met Rev. Harvey L. Grimes, who was out walking, and produced the marriage license, which the preacher read by the aid of an arc light. There were no witnesses, and after waiting a short time Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hayes, who were out strolling, came along. They agreed to be witnesses, and while Creslip and Miss Davis stood in the buggy under the light Rev. Mr. Grimes performed the ceremony. Creslip and his bride then drove away.

A Bank

A successful bank if founded on the confidence, not only of its customers, but of all the people in the community.

It must be conservative of its customer's funds and also of its own assets.

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